

House Resolution 263

By: Representatives Burkhalter of the 50th, Richardson of the 19th, Jones of the 46th, and Martin of the 47th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending Mr. Mike Kenn; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Fulton County and the State of Georgia are proud to call Mr. Mike Kenn one
3 of the finest citizens, athletes, and community activists the county or state has ever produced;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Kenn has been inducted into the Atlanta Falcons Ring of Honor, which
6 pays tribute to retired players who have made significant contributions to the organization
7 during their careers; and

8 WHEREAS, a former mainstay of the Atlanta Falcons' offensive line, Mr. Kenn holds the
9 team record for most games played and started at an impressive 251 and ranks second in
10 most seasons with the Falcons with 17; and

11 WHEREAS, during his years with the Falcons, Mr. Kenn posted a streak of 94 consecutive
12 games played and 90 consecutive starts, earned five consecutive Pro Bowl selections, and
13 was the only Falcon to play in all of the franchise's six playoff games; and

14 WHEREAS, impenetrable on the field, Mr. Kenn blocked for an Atlanta rushing attack with
15 three of the top six rushing seasons in team history and earned All-NFL honors for six
16 seasons and All-NFC for five seasons; and

17 WHEREAS, since his retirement, this first round pick from Michigan has remained a force
18 to be reckoned with off the field, serving as chairman for the Fulton County Commission for
19 five years and currently serving as president of Georgians for Better Transportation, an
20 organization committed to increasing the state's investment in transportation; and

21 WHEREAS, a three-time nominee for the NFL Hall of Fame, Mr. Kenn has been recognized
22 by numerous local charities and organizations for his dedication to his community; and

23 WHEREAS, none of Mr. Kenn's many accomplishments could have been possible if not for
24 the love, support, and encouragement provided by his wife of nearly 30 years, Joanie, and
25 his two wonderful daughters; and

26 WHEREAS, Fulton County and the State of Georgia are proud to have one of the NFL's most
27 distinguished players as one of their own.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body join in commending Mr. Mike Kenn on his induction into the
30 Atlanta Falcons Ring of Honor and praising this outstanding Georgian for the example he has
31 set for others both on the field and off.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Mike Kenn.